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James Arden Barnett, Jr., Rear Admiral (Ret), Chief
Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Special Temporary Authority (STA) for 700 MHz Channels for
City of San Antonio and Bexar County, Texas

Admiral Barnett,

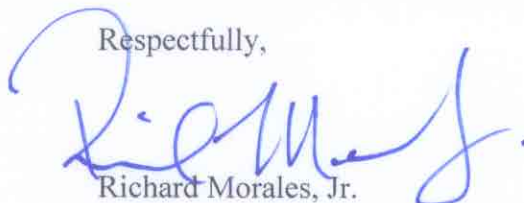
This is a request for Special Temporary Authority (STA) for the operation of 700 MHz general use frequencies by the City of San Antonio and Bexar County, Texas within Region 53. These frequencies will be utilized for the operation and implementation of a Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) Grant funded project. This project, along with others with the state, will greatly enhance interoperable communications along the critical IH-35 Hurricane Evacuation Route.

San Antonio and Bexar County will be installing a five (5) site P25 700 MHz system overlay utilizing the requested 700 MHz frequencies. These channels are allocated for Bexar County in the CAPRAD allotment and would not pose any interference with surrounding counties.

Currently, Region 53 does not have a completed and approved 700 MHz Channel Plan. It is our understanding that we must license the requested 700 MHz frequencies via a STA until the Regional 700 MHz plan has been approved. As such, San Antonio and Bexar County respectfully request a 180-day STA in order to begin installation and operation of the new 700 MHz system.

Region 53, Alamo Area Council of Governments (AACOG) and the Texas Department of Public Safety fully support the implementation of this system by the City of San Antonio and Bexar County. Your approval of this request is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions concerning this proposal, please feel free to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully,



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